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CENTURY'S WORK.

Wonderful Advancement in Model
and Build of Fishing Craft.

DESCRIPTION OF VARIOUS STYLES.

Changes from Pinkey to Flying Fisherman.

All this time while the models had been changing, considerable attention was being paid to the size of vessels and after 1870 the tonnage of most of the crafts built was much more than previously. Newer and farther away fishing grounds were being explored and fished, fresh fish was rapidly gaining in favor, fish were plentiful, therefore the combination of greater size and greater speed was the desideratum. Almost every succeeding craft now built was in some way or other supposed and generally was better than its predecessors. Everybody wanted a good carrier and all wanted a flyer, hence the approach toward the model fisherman was quite rapid.

Along about 1875 another type came along. The first was sch. LIZZIE J. JONES, a craft very sharp forward, with a heavy after body and sharp on the floor. She proved a good one and others followed from her model, among them schs. JOHN D. LONG and PAUL REVERE.

In 1881 another model was built from. It gave a vessel a full, low bilge, with heavy counter, wide stern and fairly sharp forward. Sch. EMMA W. BROWN was the first production from this model; then followed such well-known crafts as schs. GEN. BUTLER, M. B. THOMAS, RALPH F. HODGDON, HATTIE & LOTTIE of Cape

Cod, and other vessels hailing from over there. Many crafts of this model are afloat to-day.

Sch. Henry Dennis was also a radical departure. She was extra heavy for her time, with a hard, quick turn to her bilge, the floor running well forward. She had a long dragline aft and was a good sailer.

From 1870 to 1880 a large number of vessels were built from what was known as the "Georges" model. They were all nearly alike and were similar, indeed many of them are the older crafts which go handlining to Georges today.

Another departure came in 1884 with Sch. Mystery which was built for John F. Wesson & Co. She was constructed at Kennebunk and measured 123.59 tons, being a very large craft then. The model was for a craft with a long, round, low bulge, quite deep and with crooked sheer and the Mystery was built just as the model was made.

Sch. Mollie Adams, which was built the same year at Kennebunk for Capt. Solomon Jacobs, and was a good sailer, was from the same model.

Along about 1883 or 1884 McManus of Boston built sch. John H. McManus, which proved to be a good sailer and sea boat. She was of the plumb stem type, very deep, with a file bottom.

In 1886 came the most radical departure and the arrival of type of an all around fishing vessel, a model which has ever since and even now is being built from, and whose many good points are embodied in the very latest of the flyers of the fleet. This was sch. I. J. Merritt, Jr., modelled by Capt. G. Melvin McClain, built at Essex for Andrew Leighton, and measuring 94.65 tons; she was unanimously admired when brought around to this port.

She was a long, clean looking craft with a long overhang bow. She was much beamier and deeper amidships than the crafts preceding, the whole principle of her model being the changing of the carrying capacity from the ends to the center of the craft.

A trial of the Merritt proved her to be indeed the ideal fishing craft of that time. She was very speedy; was called the fastest of the fleet, was a fine sea boat, exceptionally staunch and a great all around

craft. The success of her model was thus assured.

For several years the Merritt model was built from with slight variations, almost exclusively.

Sch. S. F. Maker, a fine craft to-day, was built in 1887 and was off of what was called an enlarged Merritt model.

In 1887 Burgess came into the game of modelling fishing vessels. Sch. Carrie Phillips was built but of her and others we shall speak in another chapter.

DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Braganza, South Channel, 15,000 lbs. fresh cod, 15,000 lbs. haddock, 4000 lbs. cusk.

Sch. Lewis H. Giles, Bay of Islands, N. F., 150 bbls. frozen herring, 800 bbls. salt herring.

Sch. Senator Gardner, Bay of Islands N. F., 700 bbls. frozen herring, 100 bbls. salt herring.

Sch. Carrie W. Babson, Bay of Islands, N. F., 400 bbls. frozen herring, 600 bbls. salt herring.

Sch. Lena and Maud, Placentia Bay, N. F., 800 bbls. frozen herring, 28 bbls. salt herring.

To-day's Market.

Board of Trade prices: large handline Georges cod, \$3 3-4 per cwt., medium do., \$2 1-2; large trawl Georges, \$3 1-2, medium do., \$2 3-8; handline cod from deck caught east of Cape Sable, \$3 1-2; medium do., \$2 3-8; large trawl bank cod, \$2.75; medium do., \$2 25 large dory handline cod, \$2 7-8, medium do., \$2 3-8.

Splitting prices, large cod, \$2.10; medium do., \$1.25; snapper do., 40 cts.; cusk, \$1 25; snapper do., 40 cts.; haddock, 75 cts.; hake, 95 cts.; pollock, 60 cts.

Bank halibut 13 cts. per lb. for white and 9 cts. for gray.

Salt herring in bulk, \$3.25 per bbl. Frozen herring, \$3.50 per hundred weight.

Boston.

Jan. 17—Ar., sch. Agnes, 15,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Oceanus, 8000 haddock, 2000 cod, 500 hake.

Sch. Hiram Lowell, 40,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 5000 cusk, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Esther Anita, 30,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Commonwealth, 10,000 haddock, 5000 cod.

Sch. Olga, 35,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 600 cusk, 600 halibut.

Sch. Rob Roy, 30,000 haddock, 5000 cod.

Sch. James S. Steele, 20,000 haddock, 7000 cod.

Sch. Harvester, 25,000 haddock, 16,000 cod, 2000 cusk, 700 pollock.

Sch. Indiana, 35,000 haddock, 6000 cod.

Sch. Edward A. Rich, 20,000 haddock, 16,000 cod.

Sch. Nellie Dixon, 35,000 haddock, 8000 cod.

Sch. Illinois, 20,000 haddock, 11,000 cod.

Sch. Grace Darling, 12,000 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Mertis H. Perry, 2500 cod.

Sloop Venus, 6500 cod.

Sloop Vesta, 1000 haddock, 7500 cod.

Sch. Alcina, 10,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Samoset.

Sch. Clara M. Littlefield.

Shore haddock, \$1.60; large shore cod, \$2.50 to \$2.70; shore markets, \$1.50 to \$1.75; off shore haddock, \$1.10 to \$1.30; off shore large cod, \$2.25 to \$2.50; off shore market, \$1 to \$1.50; pollock, \$1.10.

Herring News.

Schs. Lena and Maud, Senator Gardner Carrie W. Babson and Lewis H. Giles arrived from Newfoundland this forenoon with herring, the two former having frozen cargoes, the latter salt herring and the Babson part of each.

Schs. Lena and Maud and Priscilla Smith will go to New York with their cargoes of frozen herring. Sch. Senator Gardner will go to Philadelphia. Sch. Parthia has opened here.

Schs. Corsair and Oliver Wendell Holmes have left Bay of Islands for Placentia Bay.

A dispatch to the TIMES from McGill Philadelphia, states that the weather is warm and trade will be dull for the next 30 days.

Thursday Jan. 17th